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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL SWEDISH DELEGATION VISITS LIBYA TO DISCUSS TRADE

1. ACCORDING TO SWEDISH PRESS NOTICE OF DECEMBER 4 AND
OFFICIAL SWEDISH DELEGATION HEADED BY DIRECTOR GENERAL BERTIL
SWARD OF COMMERCE MINISTRY ARRIVES IN LIBYA DECEMBER 6 TO DISCUSS
TRADE MATTERS.

2. PRESS NOTICE ASSERTS THAT ONE OF MAIN OBJECTIVES
OF SWEDISH VISIT WILL BE TO TRY TO SETTLE NON-PAYMENT BY
LIBYAN NATIONAL SHIPLINE OF ORDER FOR THREE 150,000-TON TANKERS
PLACED WITH GOTAVERKEN SHIPYARD DURING OIL EMBARGO 1973-74.
TANKERS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN REFUSED BY LIBYA ON TECHNICALITY
AND ARE NOW LAID UP IN OSLO FJORD. ORDER SAID TO INVOLVE MORE
THAN \$100 MILLION.

3. NOTICE INTIMATES THAT SWEDISH DELEGATION MAY USE
PROSEPCTIVE SWEDISH IMPORTS OF LIBYAN OIL AS ARGUMENT
FOR SETTLEMENT OF TANKER ORDER.
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